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Work and Workers.

THE Columbian University, of Washington, D. C., has voted to establish a school of Biblical Literature at that university, and has appointed Rev. Edward B. Pollard, who took his degree of Ph.D. at Yale in 1893, to fill the chair.

THE LIFE of the late Professor Drummond is to be written by Professor George Adam Smith. Anyone having letters or other matter likely to be of use to Professor Smith is requested to communicate with him at 22 Sardinia Terrace, Glasgow, Scotland.

IT IS announced by Messrs. T. & T. Clark that Professor W. Sanday, D.D., LL.D., has undertaken to prepare the volume upon *The Life of Christ* for the International Theological Library series. There is great need for a new single-volume life of Christ which shall give the best results of recent New Testament study in a comprehensive and constructive way. Much will be expected of Dr. Sanday, and there is reason to think that he will not disappoint the public.

CHARLES SCRIBNER'S SONS will publish immediately *The Apostolic Church*, by Arthur C. McGiffert, professor of church history in Union Theological Seminary. This volume is in the International Theological Library, edited by Dr. Charles A. Briggs and Professor S. D. F. Salmond, D.D., of Aberdeen, and is published conjointly by the Scribners and T. & T. Clark. The aim of the series is to cover modern theology in a series of systematic and thoroughly scientific expositions which shall fairly represent the attainments of theological science at the end of nineteen centuries.

IN the *Sunday School Times* of July 24, 1897, S. Schechter, M.A., of the University of Cambridge, gives a most interesting account of his recent visit to Cairo in search of Hebrew manuscripts. He was given free access to the *genizah* or lumber room of the so-called Synagogue of Ezra the Scribe, and has brought back to England some forty thousand fragments of Hebrew manuscripts. These are all stored in the University library at Cambridge, awaiting study. As yet it is pos-

sible to give only the most general account of the character of the material. But what is reported is enough to excite great interest. Fragments of the Hebrew Old Testament, remnants of the oldest form of the worship of the synagogue, a large collection of psalms, and fresh fragments of the original Hebrew of Ecclesiasticus have already come to light.

THE following new German publications of interest to students of the Old and New Testaments are announced as forthcoming: Bonwetsch, N.: *Die Apokalypse Abrahams. Das Testament der vierzig Märtyrer* (M. 2); Sellin, E.: *Israels Güter und Ideale*, I (M. 6); Steinmetz, R.: *Die zweite römische Gefangenschaft des Paulus* (M. 3.75); Vollert, W.: *Die Lehre Gregors von Nyssa vom Guten und Bösen* (M. 1.20); Zahn, Th.: *Einleitung in das Neue Testament*, Bd. I (M. 8.50). All these are published by A. Deichert's Nachfolger (Geo. Böhme), Leipzig. The firm of Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, in Göttingen, has the following announcements: Clemen, C.: *Die christliche Lehre von der Sünde*, 1 Thl.; Nestle, E.: *Einführung in das griechische Neue Testament* (M. 7.80); Rogge, Ch.: *Der irdische Besitz im Neuen Testament* (M. 1.60). Karl Marti is publishing with F. Bull, in Strassburg, *Geschichte der israelitischen Religion* (M. 4).

THE REV. E. R. WOODMAN, a missionary in Tokio, Japan, writes the editors of the BIBLICAL WORLD that he is about to undertake the publication of a biblical magazine in the Japanese language which shall aim to meet the needs of the Japanese Christian preachers, evangelists, and teachers of the Bible. The journal will contain articles translated from foreign magazines and books, and original articles contributed by missionaries and native Japanese Christians. The editorship will be in the hands of two foreigners and two or three natives. He greatly desires financial assistance in order to insure the success of the enterprise at the outset. Fifty dollars, he writes, will insure its publication for six months, at the end of which time the magazine would, he hopes, be on the way to self-support. The editors of the BIBLICAL WORLD will take pleasure in receiving and forwarding to Mr. Woodman any contributions toward this enterprise.